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MORE BLOOD IN EDGEFIELD.

THREE MEN KILLED IN LESS THAN FIF-TEEN MINUTES.

Bob Jenes Shoots Edward Pressley. Jewes Shoots Edward Pressley,
Jr., Stabs His Brother Charles
Pressely, and after Walking up
to their Father, Edward Pressley.

Therefore they fell. I did not see any weapons of any kind lying about. I never heard of Mr.
Pressley and Mr. Jones having any difficulty.

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Greantile News, Nov. 20.

When the delegates to the State Baptist of the United States was all committed to the American and plated mother, who escand the watto the valiant Jones, testified as follows:

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And desolation saddens all thy green." There are worse tyrants than kings, more can hinder it

destructive agencies than wars. The Jones Triple Murder.

The readers of The News and Courier are already in possession of the facts of Edgefield's latest murder. The inquest hasjust been concluded, too late for telegraphing, and I send you by mail the enclosed copy of the testingy. The story of the tragedy is told there in crms more forcible than I can tell it.

The Story of an Eye-witness.

Charles Brooks testified as follows; Charles Brooks testified as follows:
I was at my home shucking corn and the first noise I heard was a gun, then I heard a scream, and I raised up and saw two men running whom I recognized as Edward Pressley, Jr., and Bob Jones. I saw them catch hold of each other and I saw one reach out his each other and I saw one reach out his continuous that an expectation of the scheme of the report was adopted as follows:

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Friday, at 7.30 P. M., foreign missions.

Saturday, 10 o'clock, home missions. scream, and I raised up and saw two mentals are made in the same of the same o Jones walked off with his gun in his hand, and then I saw something lying on the ground that I took to be Charles Pressley. Mr. Jones walked back in the direction of where Mr. Charles Pressley was lying and stopped and loaded his gun, after which he walked to where Edward Pressley, Sr., was standing and Light.

The Press and Banner, one of the best weekly journals in the State is even more attractive in its new dress. May its success increase in proportion to its present size.—Greenwood Light.

said, "Dog gone it, I will shoot you too," and thereupon he raised his gun and shot him. Mr. Jones then walked on towards his house, about 400 frards off. Mr. Pressley, Sr., fell as soon as he was shot. When I saw Mr. Edward Pressley and Mr. Bob Jones running Mr. Jones was in front. The first report that I heard seemed to be as if both barrels were discharged at once. No one else could have done the shooting without my seeing him. I am satisfied from what I saw that Mr. Jones killed all three of the Pressleys. Dan Mitcheil and my-

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The Triple Murder.

The church bells were ringing when the news reached the town to-day of the horrible tragedy, with which the world is now familiar. When Robert Jones, the murderer, his harder seeking with the Llood of three min. Knocked at the gates of the juil thirty-one of the "respectable citizens" of Lederled were lying with 1. The Court which was to try them was in session, and the village was filled with visitors from all parts of the county. The crime with which Jones has dyed his hands was known in all its horrible details. It ind been told upon the public tracks. He waked through that crowd of men with head errect, placed the gun with vicitum, as he are read through that crowd of men with head errect, placed the gun with vicitum, as he are tracked the first which he had s'ain father and son in a store, and wiped off the blood which streamed from the kinking had no shout of venezues () On, no. There was probably no good reason far removing Jones, and in any other community perhaps this would be commendable. The Nees and Course's linking and the will of the community perhaps this would be commendable. The Nees and Course's linking was fined with the community of the edition has in an avoid the community of the control of the distinguished counsel in the Court which he had s'ain father and son in a store, and wiped off the blood which streamed from the kinking as the area of the control of venezues () On, no. There was probably no good reason far removing Jones, and in any other community perhaps this would be commendable. The Nees and Course of the defended for the proper is not not worked to the proper is not not worked to the proper is not the pr

Company New and was a naveseed at concess will be company to the wash, too, and was a naveseed at concess will be company to the wash too, and wash and a second of the company to the control of the company to the con was fifteen yearsago. No railroad leads to its doors; no factories hum here; the busy haunts of trade are not here; the telegraph keeps at a distance as if afraid to venture closer, and ruin and desolation seem to brood over the land. The waste places are still marked by railred chimneys and heaps of ashes; no new buildings, are to be seen going up on the track of the fires that have ravaged the place. Everything looks dull, shiftless, dispirited. If one of the grand old men who sprang from the soil of Edgefield, and who acquired name and fame in the world of letters and polities in the days when glants were born here, could revisit the old town I funcy I can hear him mourning over the ashes of Edgefield's peace and prosperity.

"Sweet smilling village, lovellest of the lawn. Thy sports are fied and all thy charms are gone.

And desolation saddens all thy green."

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Man in the Wood-Pile.

Palmetto Post.

We are a little surprised to see by the Aiken Recorder, that ex-Governor Hagood has been masquerading at a railroad meeting with the notorious Paris Simpkins, even to get his in-

morning. After singing and prayer the minutes of Thursday were read and adopted.

The special order on woman's missions was taken up. The report was read by the Rev. John Stout, and the convention was addressed by the Rev. C. C. Bitting, of Philadelphia.

The special order being discharged, on motion of the Rev. J. A. W. Thomas, the Rev. C. C. Bitting was requested to address the convention on Bible work. Dr. Bitting is secretary of the Bible department of the American Baptist publication society. The work of this department is the publication of bibles and their distribution where they are needed. When the Bible work of the Baptists of the United States was all committed to the American States was all committed to the Ameri

that he was jesting. He then went in the did not say what he had killed charies a sone of its head lines or nos items, exp. Edward Pressley, Sr., and Edward that he newspapers of to-day could "say." It does seem that the newspapers of to-day could "say." It does not never the they. It does not never the they. It does not never the they. It does not never the they.

Pressident-Chas, Manly, Vice President-J. A. Mundy, Auditor-R. S. Morgan. Other members-A. S. Townes, T. P. Bell, r.N. Barton, C. A. Stakely, R. H. Griffith, C. Judson, J. C. Smith, W. C. Lindsay, E. J.

Adjourned by prayer by L. C. Ezell.

one the would not be understood as the land. Six miles from here an aged and endeavoring, even by implication, to east a reproach upor the people of Edgefield for their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer the mild like of the mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer the mild is grave, keeps a lonely vigil over the bloods of their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the case, But I cannot refer their mildness in the same and read the sound of th by presenting: J. A. Mundy, J. is. I. Spiritely, G. G. Wells, A. P. Aboll, W. T. Golsamille, G. G. Wells, A. P. Aboll, W. T. Golsamille, G. G. Wells, A. P. Aboll, W. T. Golsamille, G. G. Wells, A. P. Aboll, W. T. Golsamille, W. H. Jelse, W. E. Permore, To meaning the first of the control of

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SPRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH. At 11.30 A. M. Rev. J. F. Buist. At 4 P. M. Rev. J. F. McMillen. At 7.30 P. M. Rev. D. W. Cuttino.

IATTOON MISSION CHURCH-PRESBYTERIAN At 11 A. M. Rev. J. K. Pace. At 8 P.M. Rev. J. E. Covington.

The Rev. R. H. Griffith, the newly elected, financial agent, was introduced by the president of the convention, and addressed by the president of the convention, and addressed by the leaf.

A resolution was offered by J. F. Morral commending to the langitist of South Carollan and Eddle work of the American Baptists publication society, was adopted.

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Third Day.

The convention assembled at 9.30 o'clock on yesterday. The minutes of Friday were read and approved. The amount contributed for he left.

The Challenge Abandoned---Motion to Continue the Cases until the next Ternt of the Court Agreed to-Bail Fixed at \$2.500 Each.

Nows and Courier.

EDGEFIELD, November 19.—"Proceed with the argument in the Culbreath case," said indge Hudson, as he took his seat in the

Judge Hudson, as he took his seat in the Court-room this morning at 10 o'clock, preceded by the good-looking deputy sheriff, who with drawn sword escorts him daily to and from the Courthouse. This Court-room was densely crowded as usual, there being scarcely standing room.

"Is it necessary to have the defendants in Court?" asked the Judge. Mr. Miles, for the State, replied that the State did not insist on their presence. But, at Gen. Butler's instance, they were brought into Court, and as on the day before, occupied the jurors' seat on the south side of the Court-room.

After this Mr. Miles read the reply of the State to the objections of the defence. The following summary of the objections and reply will give an idea of the drift of the argument and the positions taken by the State and the defence.

fendants.

2d. To the challenge of the array or panel of the jury the State answers:

1st. That the accused, having been committed and bound over to answer to an indictment to be preferred against them at this term of the Court, should have made their objections before the grand jury was empanelled, and it comes too late after the bill is found.

ly American line, and in a vcin of delightful was only the authority to the sheriff to sum-numor. The Number closes with "A Christ-mas Lament," by Miss Fanny Albert Dough-ty, illustrated by W. L. Sheppard. mas Lament," by Miss Fanny Albert Doughty, filustrated by W. L. Sneppard.

Items from the "Honea Path Plaindent of the Jurors, defendants are not affected by an irregularity in the time of furnishing it to the sheriff; that even if the venire had not been delivered by the clerk to the sheriff, yet if the Jurors were summoned and did attend the object of the law is secured; the venire having effected its object, it cannot be assailed, though not issued or returned within the time prescribed by the Act.

We regret to record the death of J. L. Gilkerson near Triangle, which occurred on the Ir.h at 4 o'clock,

We were glad to have a call on Tuesday last from Mr. F. T. Bell, of Due West. He speaks well of our paper, and subscribed for it before he left.

HIGHER GRADE TEACHERS.

The Ordeal through which they Must Pass on the First Thursday and Friday in January, 1886.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS OFFICE. ARBEY LLE, S. C., November 8 1885. We would respectfully give notice to all concerned— teachers, patrons and trustees,—that we will achere as strictly, as practicable to the school law and the fol-lowing resolutions passed by the State Board of Ex-

all candidates for the profession of teacher and give to such persons found qualified, a certificate, setting forth the branches of learning he or she may be capable of teaching, such an examination to be renewed every year." (General Statutes section 1005.)

The above has been amended by the following: "The County Board of Examiners shall have authority to renew said certificates annually for a period of time not to exceed three years; Provided that the holders of such certificates shall give to the County Board of Examiners satisfactory evidence of continued good character and of efficiency as teachers."

(Adopted September 2, 1879.)

2. (a) All examinations before County Board of Examiners must be in writing, except examinations in reading.

(b) At all examinations before the County Boards at least two members of the Board must be present.

(c) All applicants before County Boards shall be examined on Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammer, and History of the U. S., and this State."

("Standing Rules of the State Board of Examiners, 3. "Resolved, That the examination of teachers before the County Board of Examiners shall include a terles of questions on the theory and practice of teaching and that the "Methods of Teaching" by John Baldwin, will be recommonded as books of reference."

(Adopted May 1 1883)

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The grounds, eighteen in number, submitted by the defence to quash the indictment, denuded of the usual redundancy, may be summerized as follows:

1. That the copy of the indictment furnished them by the clerk of Court was not a true copy.

2. A challenge to the array or panel of the grand jury.

3. The objections to the validity of the grand jury because some of the jurors were instituted in their places.

4. A motion to quash the indictment because of defect in certain of the courts.

5. The answer of the State is as follows:

1. The objections to the sufficiency of the copy of the indictment furnished by the clerk have been overruled by the Court on the ground that the discrepancies are mere clerinary or not calculated to mislead the defendents.

Implicit obedience to lawful authority is a basal principle in education, and no teacher who is worthy the name will neglect to inculcate this truth both by precept and example. We therefore hope that no teacher or patron will ask us to disobey the piain and imperative requirements of the law and the State Board, whose uninisters we are, by doing any act contrary to the furgoing resultations. Board, whose ministers we are, by doing any act contrary to the foregoing resolutions.

We realize our responsibility, and we shall endeavor to meet it, without fear, favor or affection. We earnestly request the trustees of the several districts, the patrons of the public schools, and all teachers who are conscious of their own merit, to ald us in carrying out the foregoing regulations.

gulations. We would suggest to those who expect to apply for certificates of qualification, that they study, before the examination, one or both of the works recommended in Rule No.3; that they review carefully the branches required in "C" of No. 2, especially Arithmetic and English Grammar. There are two advantages in unranger this course.

tages in pursuing this course:

1. You get through with the physical labor sooner.

2. You may save yourself some humiliation.

The examination will be held in the court house on the first Thursday and Friday in January, 1886, for white and for colored teachers respectively, beginning at 10 a. m. and closing at 4 p. m. Applicants must furnish pens and ink, and legal cap

paper.
It the applicants keep continually in view, before and after the examination, the language of Shakespeare:
"It is in ourselves that we are thus or thus." GEO. C. HODGES, J. C. KLUGH, JOHN A. ROBINSON,

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The Great Need of the Times is Better Teachers and a More Punctual Attendance of Scholars. ABBEVILLE, S. C., November 15, 1885. ABBEVILLE, S. C., November 15, 1885.

I desire to offer a few words to those who are interested directly in the improvement of the schools. Without your support we cannot accomplish the good we have in view, and which is so much needed. We desire to infuse more life and vigor into our languishing public school system, to arouse the torpid energies of teachers to correct as far as possible, the school system, to arouse the torpid energies of teachers, to correct, as far as possible, the carclessness and indifference of parents, and, so to administer the school laws us to gain a vantage ground which will insure the greater efficiency of all our educational forces. If the present condition of our public free schools, upon which our people mainly depend for the education of their children, is not improved, if predict that, within a few decades, the records of fillteracy and ignorance will startle us with just fears of our freedom, safety, and tranquility, and bring a blush of shame to all intelligent and patriotic citizens of this grand

old county of which we and our fathers in the past have been so justly proud.

It is an apalling fact that a large portion of the patrons of our public free schools are hopelessly deluded in supposing that their children are receiving benefit when the truth is, incompetent teachers are absolutely wasting the public money, and what is infinitely worse, the precious time and mind of the children. The people should rise up in their might and indignation and demand of those who administer the school laws, that higher qualifications should be required of the teacher than that he should be somebody, like

Saturday, Il o'clock, obitinary notices.
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The convention will meet daily at 7.30 o'clock and will meet at 7.30 o'clock P. M., and adjourn at will.

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